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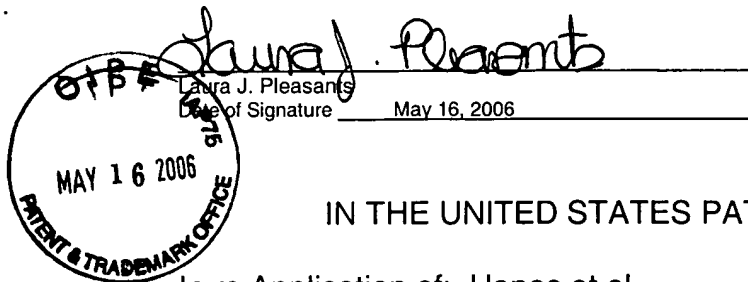
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For: SHIELD APPARATUS FOR POWER TRIMMER

AMENDMENT E

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated February 22, 2006, having a period for response, without extension, by May 22, 2006. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.